GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:139
ANSWERED ON:09.08.2011
DAMAGE TO FOODGRAIN STOCKS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the stocks of foodgrains which got damaged during each of the last two years and the current year, State-wise and grain-wise;

(b) whether the reasons for damage of such grains have been identified;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the corrective action taken in the matter;

(d) whether the Government has embarked upon any scheme for construction of Silos for storage of foodgrains, scientifically; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF THE STARRED QUESTION NO. 139 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 09.08.2011 IN THE LOK SABHA

(a): The stocks of foodgrains which got damaged during each of the last two years and the current year, State-wise and grain-wise are at Annexure IA, IB and IC.

(b) & (c): The foodgrains got damaged/became non-issuable due to various reasons such as storage damage, transit damages, damage due to cyclone/flood/ rains and in some cases due to negligence of officials/officers. In cases where negligence of officials/ officers are established for causing damage to the foodgrains, strict disciplinary action against defaulters are taken.

(d) & (e): The Government has decided to construct a storage capacity of 2 million tons in Silos under Public Private Partnership mode. A Working Group set up by Planning Commission is working out the modalities.